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SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF EMBASSY KAMPALA; FRG REPRESENTATION OF USG INTERESTS IN UGANDA; SIGNATURE OF PROTOCOL DE REMISE

REF: (A) KAMPALA 3356; (B) BONN 1\*7,4

- 1. FOLLOWING IS REPORT PREPARED BY KEELEY ON HIS FINAL SESSION WITH AMBASSADOR KOPF, WHICH COULD NOT BE SENT FROM KAMPALA, AS THEY HAD BURNED THEIR TAPES PRIOR TO THE MEETING WITH KOPF.
- 2. QUOTE AMBASSADOR KOPF, ACCOMPANIED BY DCM HILLGENBERG AND ADMIN OFFICER WARMBOLD, ARRIVED IN MY OFFICE ON THE DOT OF TWELVE TO SIGN THE PROTOCOL DE REMISE. KOPF AND THE OTHERS WERE IN A JOVIAL MOOD, WITHOUT ANY WORRIES OR COMPLAINTS, AND KOPF FEIGNED AFTER ONLY A BRIEF PERUSAL OFTHE DOCUMENTS. HE REMARKED THAT HE HAD HAD A PHONE CALL FROM DR. EGER, AND 'EVERYTHING SEEMS TO BE IN ORDER.' HE DID NOT SEEM PARTICULARLY AFFECTED BY AMIN'S HAVING CALLED THE WEST GERMANS (THAT IS, 'WHOEVER TAKES OVER FROM THE AMERICANS') A 'NOTORIOUS SABOTEUR.' HE SAID HE HAD EXPECTED SOMETHING LIKE THAT. KOPF ALSO SEEMED PLEASED BY AMIN'S ATTACKS ON THE MISSIONARIES, AS HE ANTICIPATED THIS WOULD CAUSE MOST OF THEM TO LEAVE UGANDA, THEREBY ELIMINATING A GOOD DEAL OF HIS FUTURE WORKLOAD. AFTER WE TRADED A FEW LAST-MINUTE JOKES, WARMBOLD PRODUCED SOME WARM (FRENCH) CHAMPAGNE, ED NOSKO AND PAT CONFIDENTIAL

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KENNEDY JOINED USGD AND WE HOSED-DOWN THE EVENT PROPERLY (AS THE

FRENCH WOULD SAY).

3. KOPF SAID DR. EGER HAD AGREED 'IN PRINCIPLE' TO ASSIGN HIM AN ADDITIONAL STAFF MEMBER TO HANDLE OUR AFFAIRS, AND HE ASKED ME IF I WOULD 'SUPPORT' HIS REQUEST TO BONN. I SAID SUCH THINGS WOULD HAVE TO BE NEGOTIATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WITH HIS FOREIGN OFFICE, THROUGH OUR EMBASSY IN BONN, BUT I WOULD MENTION THAT I THOUGHT HE COULD DO WITH ADDITIONAL HELP. KOPF

SAID THAT HIS PREDECESSOR AS AMBASSADOR TO UGANDA, EICK, IS NOW HEAD OF PERSONNEL AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE. SO THAT MIGHT HELP.

- 4. KOPF SAID HE WOULD BE UNABLE TO SEE ME OFF AT ENTEBBE, AS DICTATED BY PROTOCOL, BUT HE WOULD SEND WARMBOLD TO REPRESENT HIM. WARMBOLD DID COME. WITH ANOTHER BOTTLE OF CHAMPAGNE.
- 5. VERY MUCH APPRECIATE DEPT'S AND EMBASSY BONN'S SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS TO GET KOPF ABOARD.
- 6. I SPENT A COUPLE OF HOURS IN THE AFTERNOON MAKING FAREWELL TELEPHONE CALLS TO FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES. SOME OF THE DIPLOMATS APPEARED MAINLY FEARFUL OF ANY FURTHER CONTACT WITH ME, EVEN BY PHONE (WHICH THEY ASSUME IS TAPPED). NOW I KNOW HOW LEPERS FEEL. THE ACTING DEAN, ARCHBISHOP BELLOTTI, JUST KEPT SAYING, OVER AND OVER, 'GOD BE WITH YOU, GOD BE WITH YOU.' I GUESS HE WAS. UNQUOTELINDSTROM

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